Appl. No. 09/337,243 Response dated April 25, 2005 Reply to Notice of Allowability of January 26, 2005

REMARKS

Regarding the Notice of Allowability mailed on January 26, 2005, for the abovereferenced patent application. Applicant wishes the following remarks be made of record:

- 1. In response to a notification filed on February 2, 2004 by Applicant, Examiner Melvin Curtis Mayes, who is responsible for review of U.S. Application No. 10/312,167, consulted with Examiner Safavi regarding U.S. Application No. 09/337,243 on March 10, 2004.
- 2. On October 11, 2000, Applicant submitted Information Disclosure Statement containing references cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to filing above-mentioned Information Disclosure Statement.
- 3. Patentably distinct claims were present for U.S. Application No. 10/312,167 when compared with the claims of U.S. Application No. 09/337,243.

If the Examiner should have any questions regarding this application, a call to Applicant's attorney would be appreciated.

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